is being collected with the sole object of extending the line, and how the amount now collected is proposed to be utilised and whether it is not right to stop the collection of the cess if it is not intended to extend the line?

Dewan.—

The Railway will be extended as soon as it is possible to do so. The money now collected is at the credit of the District Board and will be utilised when the question of the extension scheme comes up.

MR. CHENNABASAPPA (Davangere Taluk).—

Q.—**37.** Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) (1) What is the total number of applications for admission to the Medical College at Bangalore this year?

(2) What examinations have the above applicants passed?

(3) Of these, were any admitted to the College who had passed the First Year B.A.?

(4) If none was admitted, what is the reason therefor?

(*b*) (1) Who are the members of the Committee appointed to select students for admission to the College?

(2) Under what rules is the selection of candidates made?

(3) Is it a fact that in selecting candidates those of inferior qualification have been selected in preference to those having superior qualifications? Particulars of such candidates with the reason for selecting them may be given.

(*c*) What are the names of candidates who have been awarded scholarships, to what community do they belong and what is the income of their parents or guardians?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(*a*) (1) 120.

(2) B.. Sc., B.A., 1st Year B.A. course as well as certificate Examination and 2nd Year B.A. course.

(3) No.

(4) Because there were 44 graduates for 20 seats available. An exception was however made in the case of a lady candidate who had passed the Madras

Intermediate Examination and including this candidate, 21 in all were admitted.

(*b*) (1) The Principal and the Professors of the Medical College, Bangalore.

(2) Preference was shown to graduates who had passed any two of the following subjects of part I of the 1st M.B.B.S. Examination, *viz.*, Physics, Inorganic Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Botany and Zoology.

(3) No. Except in the case of the lady candidate referred to in reply to (4) who, being a Mysorean by birth and possessing the minimum qualifications required, was admitted with a view to encourage ladies joining the Medical profession.

(*c*) In the beginning of July 1924, the following candidates were awarded scholarships: —

1.	P. V. Krishnamurthy, B. Sc.	I class	...	Vaisya
2.	Abdul Khalaq Meccai, B.A.	III class	...	Mahomedan
3.	D. Sivaramiah, B.A.	III class	...	Devanga
4.	Miss, L. M. Sundaram, Intermediate		..	Christian
5.	N. Anandalwar, B. Sc.	I class	.	Brahmin

As Mr. P. V. Krishnamurthy failed to join the College, the scholarship was awarded to Mr. N. Puttarangaswamy, B. Sc., I class, of Vokkaligara community. But this student too left the College during the short session and the vacant scholarship was given to one Mr. H. K. Krishnaswamy Iyengar, B.A., II class, as he had done well in the Terminal Examination. Definite information regarding the income of parents or guardians of the scholars is not available.

MR. G. PARAMASIVIAH.—

Will the Government be pleased to state whether they made enquiries regarding the income of the parents of the students who were admitted to the Medical College before awarding scholarships? If not, do they not consider it desirable to make such enquiries at least hereafter?

CHIEF SECRETARY.—

Only the approximate income of the parents of such students can be ascertained and it is not easy to get the exact information.

MR. PARAMASIVIAH.—

The income-tax officer will be able to give definite information.